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For: REFRIGERATING CYCLE OR COMPRESSOR  
HAVING FOREIGN MATTER COLLECTOR

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

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